

***Sunday 29th May 2022 The Ascension of the Lord***

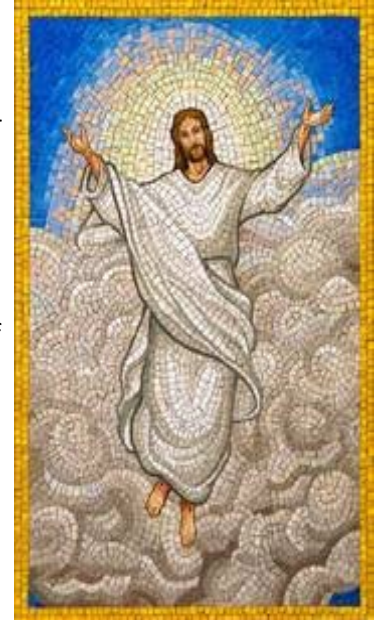
***Parish Newsletter***

**Reflection:** Before Jesus takes his leave of them, he passes on and entrusts them with the responsibility of carrying on his mission of proclaiming the good news of the gospel and of establishing the kingdom of God. This ordinary group of men and women are the ones who were chosen by Jesus to be the heralds and witnesses of the resurrection. Through their words and actions, the world would know that Jesus was alive and more alive and present than ever he was. As Jesus' earthly life and ministry ends, theirs and our mission and ministry begin.

Today the responsibility building the God's kingdom now belongs to us. The first friends and followers of Jesus are our ancestors and we are they are their descendants. It is now up to each of us in our own way to carry on the mission and ministry of Jesus. Through us today, the world will know that Jesus is alive, present and active in our world. As Pope Francis says to each of us, *every Christian is a missionary disciple to the extent that they have experienced the love of God in Jesus.*

Even though we are celebrating the Ascension of Jesus, he has not left, deserted or abandoned us. He is with us when we gather to hear the scriptures being proclaimed. He is with us when we celebrate his presence through his Body and Blood. He is with us when we reach out to help and support each other. He is with us when we live our daily lives as his disciples.

These are the signs that Jesus is in us and with us; today and forever.



**NOVENA**

**IN HONOUR OF ST ANTHONY**

**ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL**

**Sunday 5th June - Monday 13th June 2022**

**Masses each day 10.00am & 5.45pm**

**(Saturday 10am & 6pm) (Sunday 10.30am)**

**With Novena Prayers, Homily and Blessing with Relic**

**(B/H) Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 10am, no evening novena**

**Tuesday 7th Blessing of Expectant Mothers 5.45pm**

**Friday 10th Anointing of the Sick 10am & 5.45pm**

**Blessing of Lilies on the final day**



We join with Pope Francis in prayer that those "tempted to violence will choose instead the path of fraternal solidarity and love." and remember especially the children and adults who were killed in the Texas Elementary School massacre and their families.



**May 31<sup>st</sup> Tuesday** - Pope Francis and Ukrainian families in Rome will gather before a statue of Mary, Queen of Peace, to recite the rosary for peace in Ukraine and in other places at war. We are encouraged to say the rosary or a decade of the rosary on Tuesday.

**Recently Baptised:** Welcome to the Christian Community **Tadhg Smith** who was baptised here at St John's Cathedral.



**Sympathy:** The Priest of the Parish extend their sympathies to the families and loved ones of the recently deceased and whose funeral took place in the Cathedral

***Paul Grimes RIP, Marian Anderson RIP, Teri Daly RIP, Ann Kelly RIP***



**Split the Pot :** Congratulations to Rebecca c/o Dolores who won last weekends draw 22nd May.

ALL IRELAND  
**Rosary Rally**

"A World at Prayer is  
a World at Peace"  
Venerable Patrick  
Peyton CSC

**SAT, JUNE 4TH  
FROM 1.30 PM  
KNOCK**

**Talk, Stations of the Cross,  
Rosary and Holy Mass**

Main Celebrant: Archbishop Jude  
Thaddeus Okolo, Papal Nuncio to Ireland  
Homilist: Bishop Michael Duignan

Rosary Talk: Fr Marius O'Reilly

In association with  
 **Father Peyton Centre | Ireland**  
HOLY CROSS  
FAMILY MINISTRIES

If you can organise a bus please  
call Fiona on 086 876 0058

## LOUGH DERG THREE DAY PILGRIMAGE

Runs Wed 1st June until 15th August  
(Sat 13th Aug is final day to begin the Pilgrimage).

Admission €80 | Booking advised |  
Concessions available for students,  
seniors and groups.

All booking info, including organised  
parish groups available at  
[www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org), email [in-fo@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org) or telephone 0  
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